

Licence Exemption

1. The Office of Rail Regulation (ORR) exempts under section 7(3) of the Railways Act 1993:

The AIn Valley Railway Trust

registered in England and Wales with number 03319861

from the requirement to be authorised by licence to operate the railway assets described in paragraph 2 below.

2. This exemption applies to:

(a) the network known as the AIn Valley Railway which passes through OS points 419932,612099; 420071, 611219; and 419996, 611078 *and* any extensions to this network carried out after 27 July 2012, which have been notified to ORR and in respect of which ORR has consented, *together* known as "the exempt network"; and

(b) any train, station or light maintenance depot operated on the exempt network.

A list of the railway assets to which this exemption applies is at Schedule 1.

3. This exemption is valid from 27 July 2012.

4. ORR may revoke the whole or any part of this exemption:

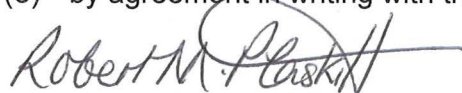
(a) if the exemption holder is granted another licence or exemption for the operation of all or some of the railway assets to which this exemption applies; or

(b) if ORR suspects on reasonable grounds that the exemption holder has operated a railway asset without a necessary licence or exemption; or

(c) if all or some of the railway assets to which this exemption applies are not used for at least one year; or

(d) if the exemption holder ceases to be the operator of all or some of the assets to which this exemption applies; or

(e) by agreement in writing with the exemption holder.



Signed by authority of ORR

27 July 2012



Reference number: H/12/02

Schedule 1

The assets to which this exemption applies are:

Asset	Date
1. Any train, station or light maintenance depot covered by paragraph 2b of this exemption, including Alnwick Lionheart station.	27 July 2012
2. The network known as the Aln Valley Railway which passes through OS points 419932,612099; 420071, 611219; and 419996, 611078.	27 July 2012